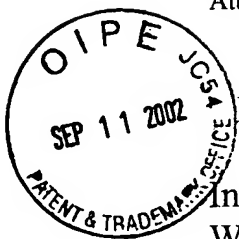


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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136 (a))

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Dear Sir:

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